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	A6	WO 00/74606	12/14/2000	SDGI Holdings, Inc. et al.	yes
	A7	WO 01/93785	12/13/2001	Tensegra, Inc. et al.	yes
	A8	WO 03/028587	04/10/2003	Rex Medical, L.P.	yes
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